

Men are okay to sleep with, and some of them dance pretty well- they have what you might call "natural rhythm" -...

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...but I wouldn't want my daughter to marry one.

Jane Wilfred

SU says reconsider, GFC will

Students Council is requesting the General Faculties Council (GFC) to reconsider its current English language proficiency entrance requirements.

Section 14.3 of the U of A calendar says applicants seeking admission to the university must "possess proficiency in both oral and written English." It says "those applicants whose native language is not English and who, therefore, have studied English only as a second language", must demonstrate proficiency by passing the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOFEL).

Council approves the principle of proficiency tests and would even accept TOFEL but only if they are equally applied to international students

without acceptable background in English.

Presently, TOFEL is applied to all international students from non-English speaking countries regardless of their English language background; this is a concept considered discriminatory by council.

The TOFEL program is also criticised as having been improperly implemented since section 14.3 of the calendar was adopted by officials of the university administration without the active consent of GFC which has the sole jurisdiction over admission.

Also, the TOFEL pass mark of 600 is considered too high. Case studies were presented at Tuesday's council meeting show-

ing students had graduated from Alberta high schools and Canadian universities but were denied admission to the U of A because they failed to pass the TOFEL.

The Supreme Court of Saskatchewan recently ruled that foreigners educated in Canada would be exempt from the TOFEL guidelines, said S.U. vp academic Guy Huntington.

The university will likely reconsider its position on the English language proficiency enrollment requirements.

The executive committee of General Faculties Council (GFC) was told Wednesday that now is a good time to review

'what we have and why we have it,' by acting chairman Dr. Meyer Horowitz. The issue is topical not only here at the UofA, but all across Canada, he said.

Specific issues to be examined are the nature of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL); what it is, what results mean, and how exam designers would like to see results considered, said Dr. Horowitz.

Horowitz indicated the topic would likely come up at a future executive meeting. He also speculated the GFC standing committee on admissions and

transfers would study the matter in conjunction with the Registrar's Office. Any recommendations of the Admissions and Transfers committee would be referred back to the GFC executive committee and then go to the GFC full council.

Dr. Horowitz has returned from the conference of the Canadian Bureau for International Education, held in Toronto last week.

The conference dealt with foreign student issues and included a special workshop, attended by Horowitz, on control of foreign student enrollment.

Literacy examined in New York and Alberta

The reading and writing abilities of university students is coming into question in both Canada and the U.S.

Students entering the City University of New York this September will be required to pass proficiency tests in two years before being allowed to advance to their final university years, in a move designed to shore up academic standards at the university.

A motion from the U of A

General Faculties Council (GFC) points out that literary competence is integral to the understanding and full appreciation of courses.

It says "suitable portions of course testing or other course work should be in the form of written essay responses."

In New York, the introduction of the "minimum competency standards", as assessed by the California Achievement Test,

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Nominations close, election on the way

by Don McIntosh

In a few hours nominations for Students' Union executive members and councillors will close.

At *Gateway*'s time of publication only one slate and three individuals had officially entered nominations, said Michael Amerongen SU returning officer.

"Generally speaking, nominations are not received until the last day," he said.

More slates are expected to be in the running. Judging by the number of people who have come to the *Gateway* office requesting signatures on their nomination sheets, we estimate the number of slates at five.

When the polls open Feb. 10, voters will face several changes. Associate students will be allowed to vote for the first time. Students will be voting for representatives to a restructured executive, and will be using the City of Edmonton's voting machines.

Amerongen said Student Council passed a motion Tuesday which clarified the voting rights of associate students, giving them the same voting rights as full-time undergraduates. Associate students include special students, visiting students, evening credit students and graduate students.

Also passed at last night's

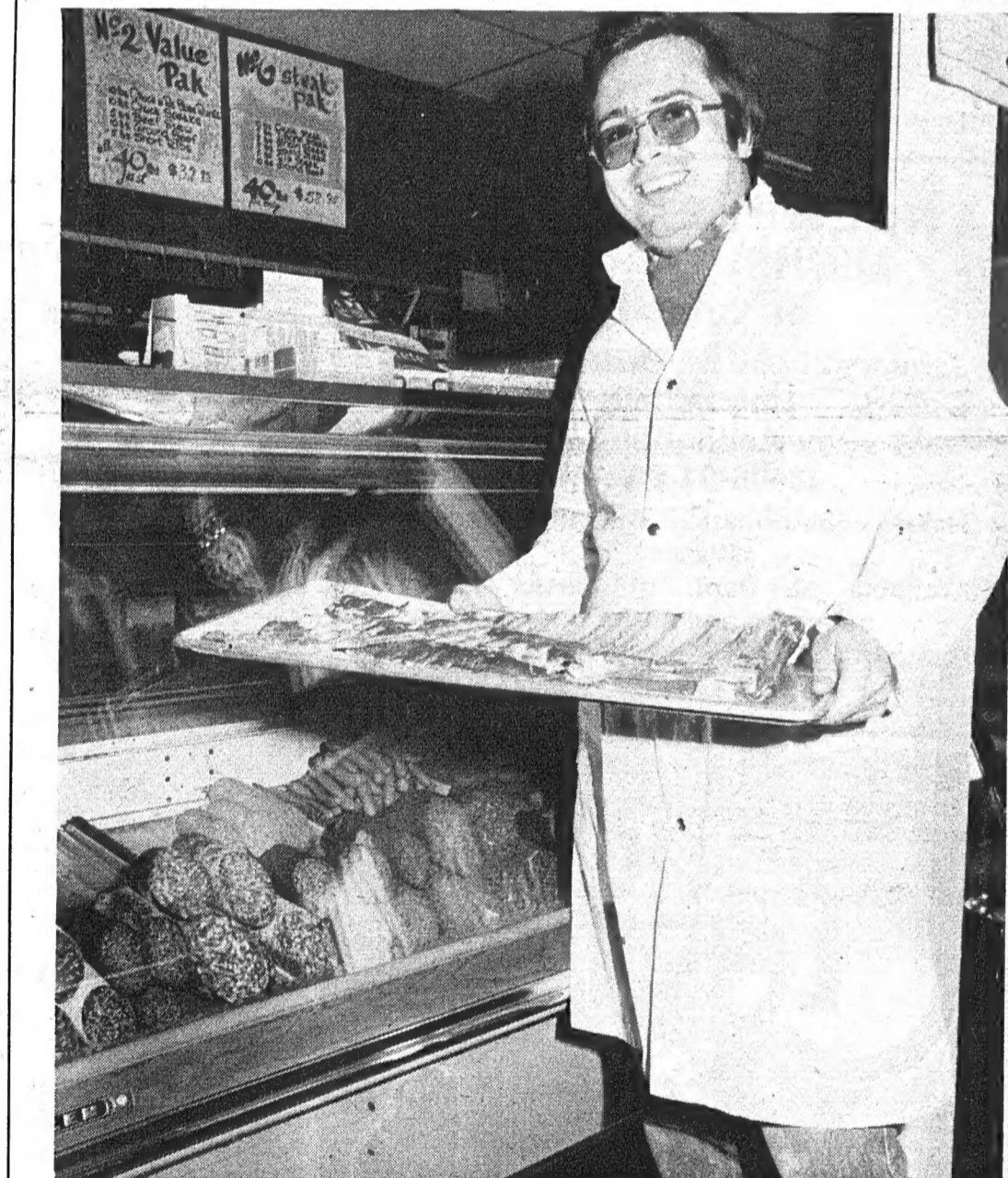
SU meeting was a motion which calls for a restructured executive. The positions of vice-president executive and v.p. services have been eliminated and replaced by v.p. internal affairs and v.p. external affairs.

Voters will use preferential ballots — a system which drops the lowest candidate from the ballot consecutively, redistributing his votes according to the voter's next choice, until only one candidate for each position remains.

The ballots are designed to be run through a computer for tabulation. City of Edmonton voting machines will be used at all polling stations. The machines are really no more than ballot holders. The voter is handed a blank ballot which he slips into the holder. The candidates' names will be affixed to the machine next to the ballot holder.

"The machines simply save on the costs," said Amerongen. "We don't have to pay to have each card individually printed."

Voters also will be voting on a FAS referendum on the same ballot. The Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) is asking for higher membership fees — a rise from \$1 per student \$1.50 per student — a position which council endorsed Tuesday. It is expected that the referendum will be a simple yes/no vote.



It's mainly because of the meat...Butcher Bohdan, an engineering alumnus, claims his selection of processed meat has the current slate of engineering princesses beat by a country mile. We'll find out at the Queen's Ball on Saturday just who beats whom.

photo van Overloop and Hrynsyn

SU supports FAS \$1 raise

by Kent Blinston

Should U of A students pay an extra dollar per student per year to continue their membership in the Federation of Alberta Students (FAS)?

Students' Council says yes and will urge students to support FAS expansion in a referendum to be held during the general election Feb. 10.

The Council motion to support FAS at the cost of \$1.50 per student was passed 16 to 3

Tuesday after councillors spoke on both sides of the issue.

A referendum on FAS expansion would be defeated anyway said law rep. Tony Melnechuk.

VP finance Dale Sommerville agreed with Melnechuk adding FAS was an inept organization.

"We should not just say what we think the students will say," replied vp executive Dave

Rand. "Expansion will improve FAS."

Sommerville was not so opposed to the organization before he was defeated in his bid for the FAS vp finance position, Rand added.

FAS has a poor track record, said vp academic Guy Huntington. He said FAS "was not a very soluble organization," and compared it to the National Union of Students who, he said, does little good either.

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news

CUSO, a challenging problem

by Neil Ford

So you're the kind of liberal intellectual who wants to join up with CUSO (Canadian University Students Overseas), and get over there to the third world and help poor people? Well, that's fine. The CUSO people will be glad to meet you. But you're going to need more than that "wish to help" to get you through two years in the jungle. I've just come back from teaching in Tanzania with CUSO, and a couple of questions occurred to me over there that you should think about before you get on that big jet.

First of all you've got to have some clear idea of what development is. That's not so easy to figure out. Take my case, for example. What could be more straightforward and beneficial than teaching? I began to wonder, though, why Tanzania couldn't produce its own

teachers. They certainly have enough Teacher Training Colleges. But when you get into the system, and talk to the young teachers, who are dissatisfied, you realize there's an internal problem in Tanzanian education.

Tanzanian teachers are quitting as soon as their contracts run out. And the mandarins in the Ministry of Education aren't confronting the problem. Instead they hire young CUSOs like you and me to fill the gaps their own people leave. Was I helping in development, or hiding a problem the Tanzanians could easily solve themselves? And just who was I helping?

Only 8% of the people in Tanzania receive secondary education, and they go on to be the new mandarins. I wasn't exactly teaching poor peasants and workers. To me, development means helping people to do

things for themselves, not doing it for them. It means helping the poorest people in the country, not the ones a little better off. So I had to justify my job to myself, not in terms of development.

Generally, CUSO helps. It only has programs in "progressive" countries — that is countries that are trying to help the poorest people first. They no longer send volunteers to teach in Tanzania, but to places like Papua New Guinea, where they are really needed, and where the program is relevant. But you've still got to work out the idea of development for yourself.

My Swahili teacher (Swahili's the language over there) is outraged by all volunteers. How do we think we can help, when the big rich countries we come from are bleeding the third world through unfair trade agreements? To him, we are only capitalism's conscience, and the theiving goes on as it always does. And how can we presume to help with their huge problems in only two years?



You barely learn the language and get used to the culture. We are any use to him, it's after we get back to our big countries, and try to change things to help his country.

Another problem is politics. God knows we Canadians are politics as much as possible, it's not so easy over there. It's use going over to a socialist country to teach them about capitalist efficiency you've got to work with a system that's there. And you're going to be frustrated if you think in a competitive way. Politics get into everyday life way that just doesn't happen here. Teachers find their English books all have political themes. Doctors have to go through a political party to get promoted. Promotions are often decided politically, not on the basis of skill or merit. And nothing will change it. So you might well go to a country with a political philosophy you agree with (and even then you'll have problems). But it helps if you're politically aware to begin with.

As to the experience, it's fantastic. Of course you'll be little lonely at times, and the culture will take a few months to get used to. It takes time. But the work will be challenging, technically, but because you have to do without a lot of equipment you're used to, the people are friendly, not the indigenous folks, but other expatriates too. And you can travel! I managed to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro, stand in the mist of Victoria Falls, travel across the Serengeti, soak up in the Seychelles, and have lots of other adventures. I'm told other parts of the world have equally neat scenery. You wouldn't have passed up CUSO for anything. But it's not an easy decision. Take two cups of coffee to make up your mind.

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CUSO (Canadian University Students Overseas) — independent international development agency — Canadians of various training share their skills with third world nations. Since 1961, over 10,000 CUSO volunteers have served in different parts of the world.

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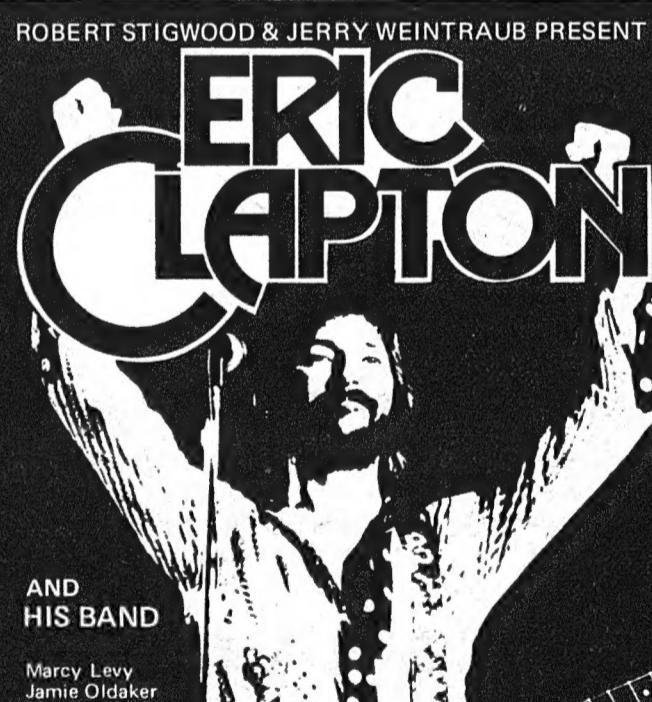
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God says "let's party"

by Wayne Kondro

"Celebrate" was the main (theme) message of a speech by Gene Thomas at the Why Are We Here? forum held yesterday in SUB Theatre.

Thomas, a Colorado businessman told an audience of about one hundred and fifty his interpretation of the parable of the prodigal son and deduced from it that Christ meant to say that a life with God was a life of robe (fine dress), ring (authority), circle dancing (literally) and joy. The second segment of the forum was an interview by Ralph Milton with Prof. Rudy Wiebe on the nature of writing as a Christian expression and on the possibility of sainthood for Louis Riel.

In the parable (see Luke, chap. 15, verses 11-32) the Pharisees have complained to Christ about his lifestyle, to which he has responded with three stories, the first two of a shepherd having lost a sheep and a woman having lost a coin. The third, the story of the prodigal son, has a Jewish boy leave his family (his inheritance demand-



evangelist Gene Thomas

ed and received), squander his money and be left a pigkeeper. An elder son remains diligently working at the father's home. The younger son decided to return home and repent, where he is received by his father who runs to him, openly welcomes him, dresses him lavishly, puts rings on his fingers, feeds him and proceeds to rejoice in his general all-around presence. The

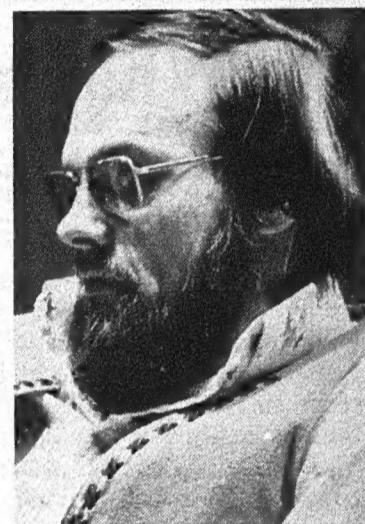
elder brother returns from the field and protests. The father replies that everything he has is the eldest's, that the brother that was thought to be dead has returned and that this is cause for celebration.

Thomas interpreted the first two parables to say that men should "come and celebrate with me (god) for I have found the (sheep/coin) that was lost." He feels this message is to be found in the third story also, where the father comes running to greet his son is symbolic of "a seeking God, someone running after awful people." And just as the father does not allow the son to complete his repentance so too God interrupts the repentance of a sinner to say "let's party. Let's have a celebration with Jewish dancing, loud clapping, great joy, and bottles on your head."

Thomas argued that like in the kingdom of God is like this, with immediate acceptance of the person into the kingdom. Thomas interpreted the brother's protest (to the father's rejoicing) to be hypocritical, stating that "the eldest brother had been with

the father all those years but did not know who the father is." He added that sometimes the best place to hide from God is in the pew.

The second speaker, Rudy Wiebe, (in response to the question of Milton) said that because he is a writer it is his job to see things in a new and different way. He then proceeded to propound his belief that Louis Riel should be canonized because, as saints do, "he showed us the possibility of what the life of man might be like" and that, in speaking, Riel "had a vision of what should happen in this country and never committed an overt act of violence." He later quoted Riel saying, "the greatest wisdom a man can achieve is to follow a vision from God."



novelist Rudy Wiebe
photos Shirley Glew

When asked if he saw writing a story as a Christian ministry Wiebe replied, "I stand in a story teller tradition. In that sense, it seems to me a Christian should be the best story teller in the world." He concluded by professing that all a story-teller can do is tell a story.

Equal Access Committee: who should it answer to?

by Don Jacquest

Should the Equal Opportunities Committee be accountable to the university president, General Faculties Council (GFC) or to the public?

After an energetic debate GFC executive referred without comment a proposal that the Equal Opportunities Committee (EOC) be returned to full GFC control.

In a letter to university

president Harry Gunning, SU president Jay Spark expressed the sentiment that the committee should report to the public. The GFC executive considered

Spark's letter but seemed to feel that if the committee were to be returned to the GFC it should report to council.

Dr. G. Baldwin, dean of arts, felt that giving the committee powers to report independently to the public would give it

an inordinately large amount of power. He compared such a situation to the Unamerican Activities Committee under McCarthy.

Baldwin also said that the committee has discussed having exceeded its own terms of reference. He said the committee was established to study equal opportunity for women issues. To include other areas of concern would likely require further debate.

FAS from 1

We need a provincial organization to fight common problems such as tuition increases, rising unemployment and housing shortages, said finance rep. Nick Cooke. An increased FAS budget would make the organization more effective and allow it to use better strategies.

Melnechuk replied, "I think better strategies are beyond FAS."

FAS has never been given a chance by the U of A, said Ferris. He asked what Huntington had done for FAS and said of him and other councillors "If they aren't willing to go out and work for it they should keep quiet about it."

Speaker John Ferris gave the chair to speak on the motion. Earlier he had spoken without leaving the chair and was severely criticized by Melnechuk and other members of the council.

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What will the election bring?

Once again U of A students must prepare themselves for the annual election of their leaders and representatives. Most will wonder what Students' Council is, whether or not it actually performs a role of leadership, who or what does it represent; and they will try to find something the mysterious body has done which clearly has benefited the student. Something which the student can recognize as a unique contribution to his/her student life, or maybe even to his/her real life. But if past elections are used as a basis for judgement, one concludes that most students will decide: no, the SU has done nothing for me, what does it matter, I won't vote.

About 30 per cent of the students voted last year, which was about 1500 less than the previous year, a year which registered the highest voter turn-out since 1969. Even though 30 per cent is considered a high figure for participation in Canadian university elections, this does little to mitigate the fact that nearly 70 per cent chose not to vote.

Last year's decrease in voters is notable when one considers the colorful campaign of Rene Le Larke's CRAP slate. One would think his slate, comprised of characters too absurd for a Beckett play, would have motivated more people to vote, even if they had come out to condemn Le Larke at the polls.

Lukat said one of the intents of his party was to appeal to those students who perceived the student council as a farce and for that reason did not vote. But it seems that these were not the people who voted for Lukat and friends (he finished second behind Spark). Rather, it is clear the antics of farce did not appeal to those who normally refuse to vote. At this stage, it is unlikely there will be a repeat performance, or even a similar one, of the CRAP nature. So who will everyone vote for? Tuition fees are rising, but who cares? Classroom sizes are increasing, but who cares? And what about the research that's happening here? How relevant is it? Has anyone proposed cutbacks in research, do students want to give up the quality of their education for some half baked academic treatise on whateveryoulike.

Clearly there is a need for leadership, action, and a fundamental reevaluation of what's going on here; in terms of education as it affects the student and of the university as it benefits the community. And do we expect those professors who diligently sit with skummy undergrads for hours upon hours and who take chairmanships, all in the name of holy tenure, to stand up and kick the university, or the government, or anybody in the ass? No, of course not. If it's to be done, the impetus must come from a cohesive student perspective. And how better to accomplish this than through the election and overwhelming support of a candidate who stands ready to critically assess the university and the student's role in its development. Perhaps someday, we will see this, he said. But why not make a move towards this critical plateau now. It's better we do it than leave it to the next generation. Otherwise, what will they have to bitch about?

Don McIntosh

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BUB SLUG by Delainey & Rasmussen



Analysis, not name-calling

Mr. Feehan has involved himself in a tragically futile name-calling match, that is, the so-called labour-business dispute. Mr. Feehan's concern could be put to far more creative use if he would look beyond the symptoms of the problem, to the cause. Until the de-humanizing labour-management division is headed, the soul destroying effects of exploitative working conditions, and the irresponsible "greed" of labour unions will continue to strangle the creative evolution of society.

I do not have a master plan, nor am I armed with an extensive knowledge of economics. I can only support the opinions I have stated above, by sharing a personal experience of an alternative working structure. That I feel is the only on-going labour-business war.

I have laboured in two very different work structures. The traditional boss-worker framework, and what might be described as a collective or co-operative context. My observations are these. The boss-worker-business relationship more often than not is the source of intense frustration, alienation, and irresponsibility. It seems incredible to me that men and women persist in their efforts to

build a society while refusing to acknowledge and become sensitive to the basic material with which they are trying to build, and that is themselves: men and women. So long as big business and big labour ignore the legitimate aspirations of human beings to grow, to have identity and to be in control of their lives, so long as they refuse to address themselves to the real problems, "parasitic labour leaders", and the Bay Street Barons will continue to frustrate our development as human beings who want a better world ... not "triple time overtime" and "birthdays off".

My experience of the collective or co-operative working structure has been a source of intense satisfaction, personal growth, and has supported me in my struggle to become a more responsible member of the human community. I am not in any way a proponent of the touchy-feely, love, peace, love, dove, eat-your-bean-sprouts school of philosophy. Working collectively is not an easy alternative. It demands a high degree of commitment, hard work, and often some painful adjustments in terms of how one views him/herself and the world.

I am disappointed that

Gerry Feehan's editorial reflects the typically shallow understanding of the labour-business dispute. We must resist the destructive effects of "parasitic labour leaders" with thoughtful analysis and creative response, not name-calling. I concur with many of Mr. Feehan's observations. I cannot, however, support or encourage his response to the labour-business dispute.

Neil Flanagan



Feehan lacks understanding of unions

In regards to Mr. Feehan's editorial in the Jan. 24 edition of the *Gateway*, I found it to be one of the most near-sighted pieces of journalism that I have ever come upon. The purpose of the editorial appeared to be that of showing that unions are detrimental to both the economy and all parties concerned but all that really exemplified was that Mr. Feehan knows nothing at all of labour unions and their workings. The saddest part of all was his trying to pass this editorial off as an intelligent piece of literature.

In his opening paragraph, Mr. Feehan explains that the union's major function was to rid the worker of the "horrid and exploitative" working conditions they were being subjected to.

This "sweat shop" period was indeed very atrocious and it was because of this exploitation that many unions were formed.

What Mr. Feehan implies early in his editorial is that unions have given workers "essential" benefits while citing those that are for the most part the exception rather than the rule. What he fails to see is that without the alliance of the union, many benefits would not be possible to obtain for the masses, and by this I refer to those benefits that people take for granted such as sick leave, pension plan, grievance procedure, etc. This is due to the fact that the individual worker is relatively powerless against a large organization just as students at university are. The bargaining power of the masses is far superior to that of the individual. What Mr. Feehan seems to forget is that another reason for union membership is because the large majority of union members do not have the education or tools necessary to deal with corporate management.

A point for Mr. Feehan to consider is "Why the increase in white collar unionism in our country?" If the unions are at fault for most of the economy's problems, why are these more educated people joining? Could there be a problem for these people in dealing with the government and corporate sectors?

By his statement about organized labour's exorbitant demands, Mr. Feehan lays to rest any doubts I had concerning his knowledge of the labour relations field. It is common fact that collective bargaining is a give and take situation so it is natural for initial demands to be high on the union side just as it is natural for management's offers to be ridiculously low. It is through a variety of tactics employed by both sides that a settlement is reached.

Mr. Feehan accuses union leaders of skimming investment money, but is he so blind that he thinks corporate executives and government officials don't do the same thing? Is he unaware of issues such as corporate "donations" to government election campaigns or can he close his eyes to corporate scandals such as the Lockheed payoff dealings? These situations and others of this nature are easily comparable to Mr. Feehan's union example.

The impression I received from reading the editorial was that Mr. Feehan believes that unions are still operated as they were in the 1930's with the white carnation and tommy-gun image. I think that if he were to visit the various union headquarters, he would find union people, much to his apparent surprise, to be not unlike anyone else.

Another point that should be brought to light is that many corporations are in favour of the labour union in that it simplifies

the procedure for producing a compensation structure for many of its employees as well as providing a good network for communication with the workers which is something many organizations lack.

I have a question for Mr. Feehan, "Why was minimum wage legislation enacted?" The answer is that many companies failed to pay their employees a decent wage so as to maintain an adequate standard of living. I agree on the point that an individual should be paid what he is worth, but individual worth is only relative to another individual and who is to decide on that aspect? Until a better system is devised in which individuals can be treated objectively with regards to compensation and still act on their own behalf, there is still a need for unions.

If Mr. Feehan had read Dr. Shaffer's rebuttal in the Jan. 12 issue of the *Gateway*, he would certainly not make the statements he did implying that labour was at the root of Canada's economic woes. Instead, as Dr. Shaffer points out, foreign ownership appears to be the root of the problem, where, contrary to Mr. Feehan's beliefs, productivity in the manufacturing sector, which is the one most affected by foreign ownership, is increasing at a greater rate than wages.

Mr. Feehan advocates the use of wage controls but does not state who shall come under its jurisdiction; be it all persons

employed in the labour force or just those belonging to organized labour. I assume it to be all persons in the labour force but this is not an issue here. Instead it merely shows Mr. Feehan's ignorance of current affairs in that wage and price controls have been proven not to work both in the achievement of government goals as well as income equity.

Mr. Feehan suggests that we let the "self-regulating machine of supply and demand" do the work but if he has any practical knowledge outside the classroom, he would realize that supply and demand just do not work like they should in theory since there is a multitude of external forces that can and often do affect the markets. For Mr. Feehan's knowledge, this area includes activities such as corporate hoarding which also brought us such treasures as the supposed oil shortage and the sugar market manipulation among others.

Mr. Feehan states that the "wheel has turned full circle and it is no longer the employer who

controls the wages and conditions of employment, but rather the worker, through unions, who controls the employer." To this statement I say that the employer must have initially been exploiting the worker comparatively to others in the industry in order for the employees to join a union, and secondly, if the employer were to allow the union to achieve greater bargaining power, it is through no fault but his own, in that there are many useful tactics that could be implemented to alter a party's position.

In conclusion, Mr. Feehan says that he finds the labour movement and their leaders "disgusting". It is this point that shows his gross immaturity. I am not saying that everything the labour movement does is correct; far from it. What I am saying is that a person should also look at the other sectors of the economy, namely business and government and consider the relative situations before passing a judgement as Mr. Feehan has done.

Rick Creighton
Commerce IV

Non-Christian agrees: why are we here?

I wish to make some comments on the Mission '78 movement this month. First of all I am a non-Christian still, but I believe the question on the button "Why are we here?" must and probably is asked by everyone in their lives. But the question really is how do we answer it? Are we afraid to die, now? Does a question like this disturb us? If so, why? If we had one hand on a cliff ready to fall, how many of us would pray our guts out to a God which many largely ignore the rest of the time? Why be hypocrites until our deathbeds? How many ministers see people crying for help and ask God's forgiveness when they are dying? If God is good enough if we are dying and in trouble, he is good enough while we are living and not in trouble. I've been to VCF camps and have enjoyed them. I've been left alone — there was no hard

pressure — and for that I thank them. I thank my colleagues at Newman Centre for many fine talks and friendly debates. I thank the chaplains, both Catholic and Protestant for listening to my views on their faiths — including severe criticisms with mostly good humour and love.

I'll finish by quoting Simone Weil, a saintly French woman who died a pilgrim and of malnutrition in London in 1943. It was quoted by her father: "Be very careful, because if you should pass over something important through your own fault it would be a pity." She wrote: "For nothing among human beings has such power to keep our gaze fixed even more intensely upon God, than friendship for the friends of God."

Robert Simpson
Ed. III

CON

By Ambrose Fierce



Though I had hoped to devote this column to 12th century Canon Law, to enlighten the ignorami, that Dr. Wickenden and I might have some intellectual company, I find that I must abandon this charitable purpose.

Why? Because the Campus Rape Crisis is grown altogether astounding and intolerable proportions (to 3½ inches), although it is not yet; thank God, out of hand; university men still have a grip on themselves.

While there is still hope of containing the problem, therefore, my pen must be enlisted in the fray. Having given the Rape Horror long and earnest consideration, I have evolved what I hope are workable solutions. These concern the three main elements to the Horror: the campus itself, the men festing it, and the women gracing it.

First, the campus. Dr. Lauber is of course right in

spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on increased lighting, but though this is a step in the right direction, the times do not admit of half measures. My modest proposal is this: with the expenditure of very little more money, the entire campus might be encapsulated in a geodesic structure, like the Astrodome, only proportionately higher. When the gigantic filament is installed, fittingly, atop the Education complex, we the University community will be living and working, virtuously, unexceptionably — "light and lust," as Harold Robbins has observed, "are deadly enemies" — inside a stupendous lightbulb.

Second, the men. The crux of the matter is that men still, anachronistically and absurdly, exercise sovereignty over their trousers flies. Take away that macho *droit du zipper*, and you have gone far toward mitigating the Horror. Big padlocks are the answer —

padlocks, and a corps of bonded Wackenut-type security men/locksmiths. These officers would be available in men's washrooms and residences, and other places where men might conceivably have a legitimate reason to unzip. (The wives of married men could presumably be bonded as well, and thus receive a set of keys to their husbands.) This system would be self-supporting, since fees would of course be levied by security people each time services were rendered. Furthermore, a differential fee might well be levied against drunkards, who are little better than perverts anyway, and who, flown with insolence and beer, might none the less readily be persuaded by grenade-like bladders to empty their wallets at the keyperson, for the privilege of emptying themselves.

Third, the women. It is for the ladies directly that the strongest measures must be taken. Buckets of icewater, large pictures of Golda Meier — these have proven ineffective. (One reflects bitterly, for example, on last year's tragic rape of the entire Night watch crew.) No, what every woman on campus needs and will be provided with is a specially trained Doberman, or, at the end of her leash, a slavering Bechuana Groinhound. Then, at the first peep of an anomalous male member, the lady can defuse the situation with a murmured, "Sic, 'im, Thusly!" And ... *vive le vas deferens!*

arts

Close Encounters: *Cosmic flop? or happening?*

by Travis Huckell

The hoax began while reading *Time* magazine's review of Stephen Spielberg's new movie; *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. *Time* described it as "dazzling... an extravaganza about U.F.O.'s and aliens who come to earth" (Isn't it a funny coincidence that *Time-Life* Inc., has financial interests in *Close Encounters*). The superlatives that *Time* uses to describe this cosmic fairy tale are appropriate only for that — describing a fantasy. If director, Spielberg, really wanted us to seriously think about the existence of U.F.O.'s and aliens, he should have used more imaginative and thought provoking devices. Instead, he exploits all the unproven nonsense and fad fantasies of our times to try to prove that little green men exist.

After some superfluous nonsense at the beginning of the movie, the plot rattles into motion as the hero, Roy Neary (Richard Dreyfuss), experiences a "close encounter" with the aliens. Finding himself lost on a dark country road (typical), Neary stops his truck to study road maps. Suddenly a brightly luminous multicolored saucer hovers above (didn't it just have to be like that?), gripping him and the truck in some sort of Buck Rogers force field (another cliche), all accompanied by lots of "super-duper keeno" sound and light effects (more nonsense). After our cosmic friends have thoroughly shaken Neary, they go on their merry way, causing road signs and other inanimate roadside objects to shake and shudder (a la the *Exorcist*). After experiencing this claptrap, Neary now senses he has a mission, to seek out and meet these inter-galactic travellers.

Later, in the same neighborhood, the heroine of our tale (Melinda Dillon) suspects that after one "close encounter" the aliens have taken an undue interest in her wide-eyed four-year old boy, Barry (Cary Guffey). She is proved right when our celestial friends drop in for a cosmic kidnapping.

Under the influence of the alien's force field, the Moffat range glows and hops around the kitchen as the Hoover springs to life and chases the leading lady around the dining room. Then, innocent Barry ventures outside, through the doggy door, to see what is causing all the commotion. His mother desperately lunges for his trailing feet. She then starts some kind of tug of war, with her on one end pulling Barry's feet, and whatever or whoever on the other. After losing her son she resolves to re-encounter the aliens to claim her own.

And so the dismal plot shambles along and the hero, heroine and others (including the U.S. government) converge to the stellar rendezvous point — Devil's Tower, in northeastern Wyoming. For some ridiculous reason, (telepathy, the audience is led to guess), Neary latently knows where to meet the aliens. He only consciously realizes the exact location after building numerous models of the rendezvous point (Devil's Tower), including a 2-ton mud castle model of the peak in the middle of his living-room. I mean, how foolish can you get? Meanwhile, the members of the audience are splitting their sides with laughter. Is this how you get people to "look at the cosmos metaphysically?"

Finally, this court of fools meet in a box canyon at

the base of Devil's Tower. The U.S. government has arrived first, built a landing strip for our intergalactic friends and installed all kinds of neato gadgets with lots of pretty flashing lights.

The aliens arrive in a 2-mile wide flying saucer that looks like a huge gigantic bowl of blue phosphorescent Jello. Director Spielberg then wastes copious amounts of time as earthlings and the space ship exchange greetings. As one earthman greets the alien with some sort of musical code, the flying saucer responds with a sound that can only be likened to an old cow breaking wind. After all these absurd preliminaries, the space men eventually emerge from their glowing jelly bowl. What we see are not terrifying, hideous, extraterrestrials, but rather cute little guys about four feet tall (thank God, and some sense of direction on Spielberg's behalf, that they are not green). The fantasy ends with Neary voluntarily boarding the alien's spaceship. Our hero and friends in their airborn day-glo jelly salad ride off into the sunset (moonset? Jupiterset?).

However, when viewing *Close Encounters* you can't help but think about the movie. Not in the sense of "looking at the cosmos metaphysically", as *Time* magazine would have us believe, but rather how does Spielberg expect to convey to us the possibility of

intelligent, extraterrestrial life when he betrays the movie's theme with an unimaginative plot? Likewise the general buffoonery of the action and action nonsense of what aliens and their spaceships should look like. To fit the stereotype, their spaceships have to be saucer-shaped, brightly glowing with multi-colored lights (has Spielberg changed significantly the flying saucer archetype from *War of the Worlds*?). The aliens fit the cliche also. They are short, with thin limbs and large crania. Ho-hum.

Opposed to this interpretation of man's discovery that he is not alone, is *2001: A Space Odyssey* by Stanley Kubrick. Kubrick does not resort to stereotypes of what an alien should look like. The evidence of extraterrestrials is the mysterious and thought-provoking monolith. By Kubrick's avoidance of cliches, he reaches us at a much more deeper and profound level. We seriously think of our position in the universe.

Close Encounters preys upon all the stereotypes and fad absurdities of our times. In the end *Close Encounters* becomes one of those fads of absurdity. Rather than requesting we think intelligently about extraterrestrial life, we are only forced to laugh at an unimaginative silly film.

by Dave Samuel

Close Encounters of the Third Kind (Odeon) directed by Steven Spielberg.

Close Encounters, though undeniably a commercial film, is better and more serious than many of its critics have assumed it to be.

It does not depend on the audience actually believing in aliens, though certainly it might tend to reinforce such a belief in the credulous. Psychoanalyst Carl Jung noted that whether or not U.F.O.'s actually exist it is likely that people will persist in seeing them for psychological reasons. Therefore the type of alien that people wish to see and their reactions to that projected image is interesting and significant. In the fifties the *I Married a Monster from Outer Space* type of alien was the embodiment of fear and paranoia about the outsider. It would seem that today the most financially safe route would have been to resurrect such latent fears about the unknown. It is to Spielberg's credit that he didn't give us *Jaws From Outer Space*.

Instead Spielberg has made a film which symbolically says that harmony, through communication, is a real possibility.

The first manifestations of the alien presence are ambiguous, even ominous. They disrupt the power grid and when Mr. Average American Roy Neary (Richard Dreyfuss) encounters them in the course of his duties as a power company employee he is stunned by the raw force they unleash. In the earliest parts of the film the only person who reacts in a totally receptive fashion to them is a small child. The contrast between the paranoia of the parent and the attitude of the child is perhaps a bit too obvious.

There is a lack of understanding between aliens and humans, and among the humans themselves. Neary finds that others are unwilling to listen to him. The power company fires him before he has a chance to

file his report. His wife refuses to take him seriously and even destroys a newspaper article which substantiated his sighting. A committee formed for the purpose of investigating U.F.O.s deliberately obscures the issue and the government is clearly involved in hiding news of previous sightings and the projected landing.

Meanwhile others are at work attempting to decipher the meaning of alien messages. Lacombe (Francois Truffaut) is a key figure in an international organization which manages to pinpoint the sight of a potential landing. He is consistently concerned with communication, has learned a sign language with which to communicate with the aliens, but paradoxically, because he speaks little English, has communication problems with his co-workers.

As *Close Encounters* ends, the pieces in the gigantic puzzle fall into place. The confusion shown by those who would keep Neary from meeting with extraterrestrials is seen through. The final scene portray a close encounter emotionally as well as spatially. The way in which humans and aliens relate to each other through musical tones evokes the sense of harmony, both figuratively and literally. Lacombe's longer speaks through an interpreter. The fact that such a quintessentially average person as Neary is the centre of the meeting is suitably poignant.

All in all *Close Encounters* is a most enjoyable film. It does not take itself too seriously, it even starts a bit for laughs at certain points. The special effects judiciously used, mainly on the principle that what is merely suggested is always more impressive to human perception than what is plainly seen. When finally see the main alien ship, it is an image of weight and majesty that it surely equals the expectations of the most creative viewer and provides a glimpse of the potential of this sort of film.

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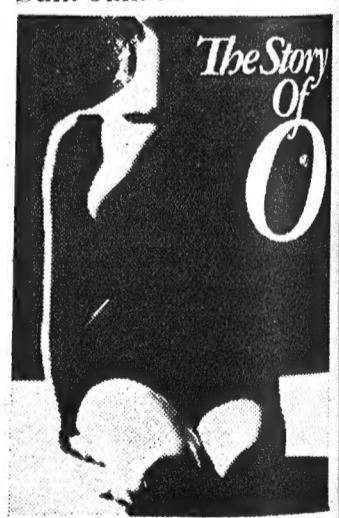


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"Short People...They'll Get You Every Time"

Story and photo by Steve Hoffart

*They got little baby legs and they stand so low
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They got little cars that go beep, beep, beep,

They got little voices that go peep, peep, peep.

They got grubby little fingers and dirty little minds-

They gonna get you every time.

-A verse from Randy Newman's hit single titled "Short People"

They gonna get you with some fancy headfakes, blistering slapshots and some mean checking, these funny little short people.

Chris Helland and Dave Breakwell. The big one is five foot seven, Helland is five foot six but in the locker room next to the giants on the team (like Randy Gregg and Bruce Rolin), he looks like he couldn't be tall enough to put the money in the Coke machine.

Breakwell and Helland may look like miniatures of the real thing off the ice, but they are of Alpine stature once they slap on the blades.

They were fourth and fifth in league scoring before last weekend's games and since then, Breakwell has scored 3 goals to put him in third spot in that department.

Originally, this "short people" story was going to include the other marginal midgets of the team that included as many as four other players and a couple of coaches. After much heated debate and a few tape measure sessions, it was narrowed down to the two obvious short men on the squad.

Coaches Clare Drake and Billy Moores would have made the All-Short team but I couldn't get them to come down off their "listen up" boxes long enough to

measure their true heights (the "listen up" boxes were constructed out of wooden Coke cases by Ron Urness when it was discovered that no-one could see the coaches when they were giving their pre-game pep talks, even though all the players were sitting down. Also the coaches couldn't reach the blackboard to draw out the plays.)

Both players are tired of being referred to as diminutive, pint-sized or compact, as they have been described this year in various newspapers.

"That's prejudice," claims Helland, "You don't see them calling the big goofy guys by any funny names. They deserve it too."

Whatever the case, both forwards have been battling for starting positions all through their hockey careers.

"I was cut from so many minor teams," reflected Breakwell, "that it got to a point where the coach would just take it for granted that I was too small to play at all."

"That sure is true," adds Helland. "I found that I had to make a name for myself so the coach wouldn't cut me because of my size."

Moving from Saskatoon to Calgary didn't help the situation out any, and it was the first time Helland was ever cut from a team; he claims that the coach didn't even wait to see what he could do. He wanted a big team and that was it.

Helland is having a great year and he has scored more goals this year so far with the Bears than all of last year with Calgary.

Breakwell is also giving opposing goalies nightmares with his speedy, shifty moves. He has a lot to prove to the taller people on the ice.

When he filled out his player application form two years ago, there was a question that asked

why he wanted to be a Golden Bear Hockey player. His answer was, "Because I want to prove that small people can make it in hockey."

Breakwell added, "In that way (making the team), I thought I might be an inspiration to the shorter kids coming up now."

Chris Helland, even in his cowboy boots, just doesn't look mean or big enough off the ice to qualify him as a hockey player. Most players in the league will tell you differently, however, as Helland belts out a lot more hits than he takes. He's as tough in the corners as anyone on the team.

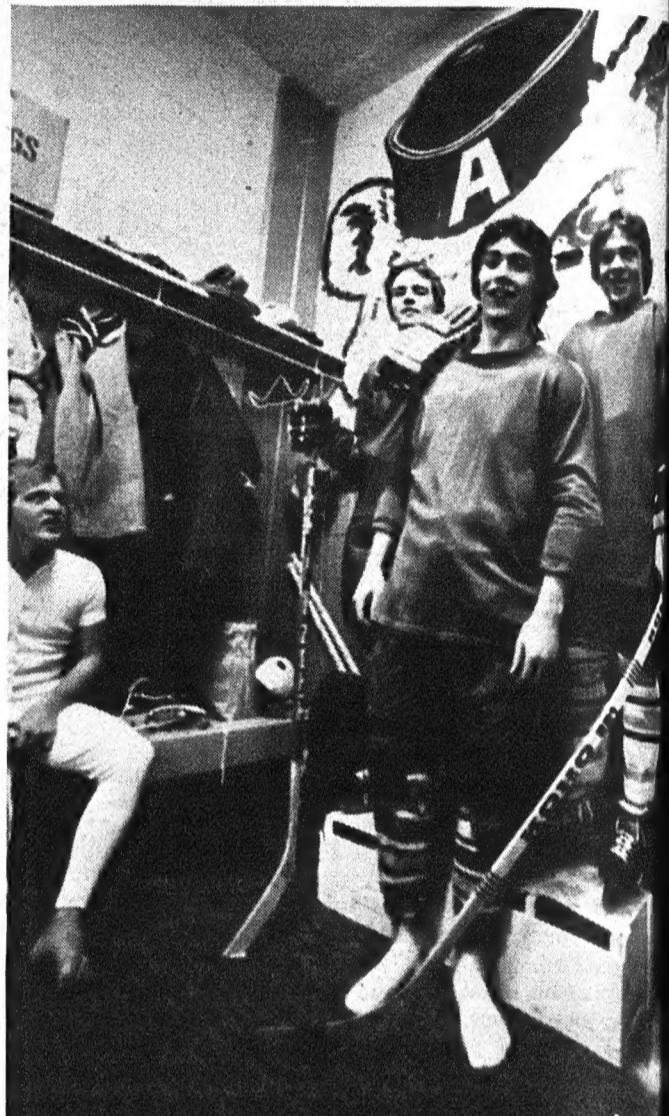
Helland states his philosophy on all this height nonsense in nine simple words:

"Everybody is the same size and nobody is big."

The little-big men of the Bears have spoken, and remember- "They're gonna get you every time."

THE BEAR FACTS

With a 10 point lead over second-place UBC, the Bears are not in danger of giving up their first place lead. Saskatchewan is in town to try and upset the Bears...they have three players in the top ten in scoring- Weibe, Bozak, and Ing- and are not as bad a team as their 2-13 record suggests. But the Bears will still win. By more than a few each night. CKSR will broadcast the game into various campus locations, including RATT.



Posing on the "Listen Up Box"...Goalie Jack Cummings stares at the spectacle of two midget hockey players (Dave Breakwell and Helland) posing with a normal-sized Bruce Rolin, who stands about 6 feet tall. The "Listen Up Box" belongs to Coaches Clare Drake and Billy Moores, another couple of the special short people that abound on the Bears team.

Panda Swimmers Best in Canada

No one who attended the Waterloo International Invitational Swimming Meet on the past weekend was left in any doubt as to where the power lies in Canadian women's university swimming. The Pandas were in a class by themselves as they led the other nine Canadian university teams. The Pandas were topped in the final standings by two strong American teams: Clarion, New York and Oakland. Much of the point difference was due to the additional points gained by American divers. There were no divers from the U of A competing in the meet.

The value of the team's Christmas training camp was clearly obvious in the superior conditioning and fitness of the U of A swimmers as they overpowered the competition from the east.

Rookie Julie Sanderson led the Pandas with three individual gold medals in the 100 Free, 200 Free and 400 Free with times that were all Alberta record. Julie was also a member of the winning 4x100 Free and 4x50 Free relay teams. Janet Rooney was another outstanding rookie for the Pandas with gold (100 Fly) and bronze (100 Back) medals and a fourth place in 200 Back.

She was also a member of the two winning relay teams, breaking the Alberta record in the 100 Free split. Carol A. made the finals in all four events and placed third in the 100 Free, fourth in the 200 Free, fifth in 200 Breast and sixth in swimming on the relay. Another finalist was Mary Hughes with a bronze medal in the 100 Breast and a fourth place in the 200 Breast. Mary finished in the consolation finals of the 100 I.M. with a time that would have given her second place in the finals. Sandy Slavin was fifth in the finals of the 200 I.M. and also swam on the first place 4x50 Free relay team. The Pandas won the 4x50 Free relay, consisting of Carol, Mary, Julie and Mary Hughes, with a bronze medal. Mary Hughes set an Alberta record, beating the previous mark by three seconds.

The team was back with strong performances from Woodside, Elizabeth, Helen Morley, Cathy, Lael Shelly and Mary Henning. Many of the girls set their personal best times in the meet. The Pandas have now qualified for the Canadian championships in March. They look like the U of A will be another strong team in contention for the National title.

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Eastern Swim Tour Major Breakthrough

"It's a first in so far as going to compete with the major powers," commented coach John Hogg as he over the highlights of three of competing.

Besides the nationals there really big meet for teams to experience Canadian competition.

The only way to improve Canadian swimming is if we compete with each other," added Hogg. "The Hawaii tour got us tired physically and this trip prepare us mentally for the nationals in five weeks."

From the results brought by the Golden Bears swim this weekend, it appears

that the intense training program undertaken over Christmas is already paying dividends. They have proved that they are a team with speed enough to swim with the best.

While coaches will look back upon this weekend in later years as the start of a new developmental program in collegiate swimming, the swimmers will look back upon the weekend's outcome, come Nationals in March. This opportunity, which till now hasn't allowed a western team to compete against and evaluate their counterparts during the season, will hopefully become an annual series. Over the weekend the Bears did just that, competed and more importantly evaluated

their competition, to allow them the chance to reorganize training efforts in the final preparation for Nationals.

The weekend started on Thursday as the team arrived at York University. The opposition was the number one ranked Waterloo Warriors. The meet proved to be much closer than they had bargained for, as they beat the Bears by only four points, 47-39. After a well needed night's sleep, the Bears returned to the York pool to compete against the York Yoemen and the U of T Blues, respectively ranked number two and three. Here our home team fared a little differently, with York defeating us soundly in their home pool,

62-25. Against the Blues the score turned out a much closer meet, ending with a 48-47 division of points.

After these losses to teams of 15 swimmers apiece to our meagre team of 10, the Bears moved onto London.

The fans filled the stands and made great efforts to enthuse their team. The Bears, however, were growling and as the gun kept resounding the Bears constantly pulled ahead. All team members put in superb races, many of them seasons's

bests. The taste of defeat was watered slightly as the score at the end of the meet tilted in Bears' favor 69-27.

All ten of the Bears; Doug Ross, Dave Long, Glenn Carlson, Derek Cathro, Kim Brophy, Ron New, Ed Wnuk, Butch Skulsky, Hobie Harton and Mike Cook swam superbly and are eagerly anticipating the Western championships. These are to be held here in the West Pool in mid-February, and everyone is invited to see the team compete.

Womens Intramurals

3 on 3 basketball finishes Tues., and Thurs., at 7:00 p.m. in the Varsity Arena until Feb. 9. NOTE: Racquetball has been changed to Wed., Feb. 1 and 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the PE Courts.

Up Coming Events:

Curling will run on Sat., Jan. 28 in SUB. From 10 a.m. - noon is recreational and 12-2 p.m. will be competitive.

Brooms, rocks and ice will be provided. Ice Hockey starts Mon., Jan. 30 and will be held on Mon.,

Tues., and Thurs., at 7:00 p.m. in the Varsity Arena until Feb. 9. NOTE: Racquetball has been changed to Wed., Feb. 1 and 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the PE Courts. Equipment and instruction will be provided. Everyone is welcome!

If there are any questions you might have about the Women's Intramural Program call 432-3565 or visit the office (downstairs P.E. building)

Exciting B-Ball Action

An exciting set of final games saw three new teams winning divisional championships in basketball. All three games were tight contests, with the narrowest of winning margins. In an all residence battle, 11th Mac, led by Scot Broune's 14 points, squeezed by 3rd Henday 42-41. In Division II, first year squad 3rd Kelsey

Alumni, hit for 4 surplus points in a 37-33 win over always tough L.D.S. "B". In the evening's final game Laurie Rodger and Tim Haufe combined for 18 points in a 27-26 "cliff-hanger" victory over the Phys. Ed. Grads. Congratulations to the winners and many thanks to all the players and officials who participated.

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Winter Games Aim of Panda Hockey

Jan Anderson potted a long wrist shot from the face-off to keep the Pandas hockey hopes alive in a double knockout tournament being held to determine inner Edmonton's representative to the Alberta Winter Games in Medicine Hat. Winning shot came after five minutes of hectic hockey (the lines are pulled for the over-

time period) and resulted in handing the Gee Bees their second loss of the tourney and thus elimination.

Playing Sunday at Bon Accord Arena, the Pandas showed sporadically for two periods before settling down in the third to a systematic attack. The goalie Kathy Secord played well, having to make many fine saves to

keep the Pandas in the game. However, the third period buzzer went with the scoreboard showing a scoreless tie. As the Pandas had failed to capitalize on power plays and at least one other time barely missing the net.

Anderson's winning goal came after much digging on the boards and a lapse on the Gee Bee's part allowed her to whistle a low screen shot into the far corner.

The Pandas now meet the Capilano Crusaders, who had previously beaten the varsity squad 4-3 in Varsity Arena on Friday (the 20th). The Pandas must now defeat the Crusaders twice before being allowed to compete in the introductory feature sport at the Alberta Winter Games.

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Literacy Examined

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will reduce the numbers of the 50,000 students who now enter the junior university level. The open admissions policy for the two preceding collegiate years will remain intact.

The writing section of the three-part exam, which will require students to "demonstrate that they can handle a college writing assignment," is intended to put pressure on high schools, which the university claims are the real source of "quality problems".

The test is also supposed to assess students' aptitude in mathematics and reading.

An administration official estimated that nearly half of entering community college students and nearly a quarter of their senior college colleagues would fail the test the first time and have to enter remedial programs. The students will have a chance to rewrite the tests.

"The emphasis is judging will be on correct grammar and sentence structure and not style or content," he said.

At the U of A, Education Dean W.H. Worth has indicated education instructors will be reminded of the GFC motion on literary competence at department meetings.



What you don't see, you don't get....

One of the many ice sculptures by the Royal Engineers is this beautiful piano duo. Guess which piano is singing?

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Gene Thomas

Naomi Hersom

Director of Undergraduate Programs
University of British Columbia

Forum: Open Education Lounge
12:00-1:00 p.m.

Seminar: Rm. 218, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Our Future in Education —

Why are we here?

Woman's Coalition will picket Parkland

A unanimous resolution, late Wednesday, by the Edmonton Women's Coalition will give support to the picket lines at the Parkland Nursing Home on Saturday. The coalition, formed in November of last year, voted in favor of supporting the strike because they believe that establishment of links with the women in the trade union (along

with the simple realization that Parkland needs support essential to their undersigned) is the key to the women's issue. The coalition plans to march (from the Royal Canadian Legion, 10217 100 Street, at 1:00 p.m. via the Royal Canadian Legion) prior to joining the protest at the nursing home at 2:00 p.m. They ask interested participants to bring cars, people, and their own picket signs".

Fencing Classes

Mon. 7 - 9 (beginners)
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Information — Fencing Gym (by track)

English as a Second Language Television Course

In addition to the presentations on Cable 13, the programs will be presented via videotape at the Faculty of Extension each Tuesday and Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. The starting date for this service will be February 7, 1978.

For information call 432-2497. Fee is \$25.00 including instructional materials and program transcripts.

news analysis

A case for peace and Palestine

Tarrabain

Peace in the Middle East is a promising prospect, the historical record encourages a divisive pessimism. While it is comforting to suppose that peace is what most people want and hoping to ascribe persistent conflict to fears and misunderstanding in the Middle East, it is too late for such optimism. Peace has been an intermediate objective for some indeed an undesirable end to others.

Today a push for peace has parity in the Middle East and chances of progress being made toward it appear more optimistic, for many peace is still seen as a contingent good, whose durability depends on its terms. Others find it threatens to upset fixed roles and attitudes.

For some Arabs peace will not automatically mean justice for the Palestinians. If there is one thing a Palestinian does not understand or if he did understand but cannot forgive, it is the apathy and hypocrisy with which the governments in the Western Worlds, and especially Britain, react towards issues of right and wrong in the conflict concerning Palestine.

Indeed questions of morals

and of justice seem to have no relevance, and policy appears in most cases to be determined solely by considerations of what one party to the dispute might agree to, or at least not protest about. While in Israel there are those who view the continued conflict as the best means of maintaining Zionist morale and commitment. Nonetheless for people who are fundamentally concerned with peace for its own sake, this has been a time for optimism.

Before Britain set foot in Palestine, it had promised to establish a homeland for the Jews. This promise, coupled with 30 years occupation of the country by Britain, and compounded by a decision of the United Nations in 1947, has resulted in the Palestinian people (who now number three million) being either in refugee camps, in exile, or under alien military rule.

The Jews lived in Palestine before the Arabs came to it, and left the country against their will 2000 years ago. The Arabs, however, have been in Palestine continuously for fourteen centuries, and there is no law which says that you may expel a people after such a long period and may

replace them with the descendants of those who left 2000 years before. How would the map of the world look today if it were to be redrawn on the ancient historical title principle?

In 1947, the United Nations offered the Arabs a separate state in a partitioned Palestine, but they refused. Understandably, because the Jews, who at the time comprised one-third of the population and owned one-tenth of the land, were given 57 per cent of the total area, and the most fertile part of that. Many Palestinians left the country during the hostilities in 1948. But all that should not affect the rights and wrongs of the case. The Palestinians who left their homes were driven out by changes and threats. But their departure did not mean they relinquished their rights to their homes and property.

The Jews, it is said, were persecuted during the Second World War, and have no other place to call home, while the Palestinians can settle anywhere in the wide Arab world. But it was not the Palestinians who persecuted the Jews. Hitler did that, and the West for the most part stood idly by. Why should amends be made at the expense

of the Palestinians.

The Arab world for the Palestinians is just not home (and this is a view they held before the recent troubles in Lebanon). Besides what are the habitable areas? Saudi Arabia is a desert. As is most of Syria. And Egypt, apart from the 30-mile strip along the Nile with 98 percent of Egypt's population.

A long time ago an English philosopher, Thomas Hobbes, contended that in the state of nature the life of man was "nasty, brutish and short", and that progress was made the moment law began to prevail.

Peace in the Middle East, like anywhere else can only be achieved and made to last if it is based on justice. The past 30 years have proved beyond a doubt that there can be no real

stability there or in the world generally without a settlement of the Palestine problem. In the whole world there is only one people for whom the clock of human progress has been reversed and they are the Palestinians.

And this settlement does not involve the overthrow of Israel. It just means a homeland on the West Bank of the Jordan and the Gaza Strip, with Palestinians guiding their own destiny, not having the land they once had, but being close enough to it to erase the memory of 30 years of undeserved exile.

The University of Alberta

1978

Spring and Summer Sessions

The University of Alberta is planning to offer a number of degree credit courses on campus in the 1978 Spring Session and the 1978 Summer Session. Courses are planned in the following areas:

Accounting	Finance (Spring only)
Agricultural Economics (Springs only)	French
Anthropology	Geography
Art & Design	Geology
Bacteriology (Spring only)	German (Spring only)
Biology	History
Botany (Summer only)	Interdepartmental Courses (Summer only)
Business	Latin (Spring only)
Chemistry (Summer only)	Law
Classics	Library Science
Clothing & Textiles	Linguistics (Summer only)
Computing Science	Management Science (Summer only)
Curriculum et Methodologie (Summer only)	Marketing (Summer only)
Dentistry (Spring only)	Mathematics
Drama	Movement Education (Spring only)
Economics	Music Occupational Therapy (Spring only)
Education - Administration	Organizational Theory
Education - Adult	Physical Education
Education - Audio Visual	Philosophy
Education - Business (Summer only)	Physiology (Spring only)
Education - Curriculum and Instruction	Political Science
Education - Foundations	Psychology
Education - Industrial Arts	Recreation Administration (Spring only)
Education - Practicum (Spring only)	Religious Studies
Education - Psychology	Rural Sociology (Spring only)
Engineering (Spring only)	Sociology
English	Soil Science (Summer only)
Family Studies	Speech Pathology and Audiology (Spring only)
Foods & Nutrition (Spring only)	Statistics
Food Science (Spring only)	Zoology (Summer only)

Spring Session 1978 commences May 1 and ends June 9, with the First Term running from May 1 to May 19 and the Second Term running from May 23 to June 9. The last day for registration for Spring Session 1978 is APRIL 3. Summer Session 1978 commences July 4 and ends August 15 with the First Term running from July 4 to July 24 and the Second Term running from July 25 to August 15. The last day for registration for Summer Session 1978 is May 1. Students who have not previously attended the University of Alberta should present their Application for Admission and supporting documentation to the Office of the Registrar by MARCH 1 for Spring Session and APRIL 3 for Summer Session in order to ensure processing.

Further information concerning specific courses, timetables, fees and student services can be found in the 1978 Special Sessions Calendar. To obtain a Calendar and registration forms write the Office of the Registrar, The University of Alberta or phone 432-3847.

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University of Alberta

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Toronto Dance Theatre

Lecture — Demonstration

2:30 p.m., Thurs., Jan. 26

FREE to all

footnotes

January 26

Lutheran Student movement vespers at 9:30 at the Centre, 11122-86 Ave.

Circle K meeting room 280 SUB. New time 6:30 p.m. New members welcome.

University Parish Thurs. Worship - informal word and sacrament, 6:30 p.m. Meditation Rm. SUB.

Edmonton Japanese Youth Group. *Tides of War*. Film on Japanese-Canadian evacuation. Centennial Library at 7:30 p.m. Free admission.

Noon hour film series, 12 noon Arts 46 (AVI). *Shadows of our Forgotten Ancestors* Part II.

U of A Pre-vet club meeting at 5:15 p.m. in TB39. Plans concerning VGW display and excursion to Saskatoon to be discussed.

January 27

Noon hour film series, 12 noon Arts 17 (Theatre). *Huis Clos* part III and *Le Violon de Gaston* N.F.B.

Chinese Students Assoc. Bridge tournament. Please sign up at CSA office SUB 234. All welcome.

The Sooth Side Folk Club's Jan. Concert at 8:30 p.m. at Orange Hall, South Side 104 St. and 84 Ave. Admission \$3 members, \$2.50 non. Refreshments.

University parish. John Hanley Morgan, President, Canadian Peace Congress, speaking on "Breaking the Log jam on Peace. At 12 noon in SUB 270.

Religion discussions meeting. All people of different religious faiths are welcome in SUB 104. 12 noon - 1 p.m.

Baha'i Club general meeting. Phone 467-4323 for further info.

Outdoors club social. Dancing, Chili, Beverages in Arts Court Lounge (HUB Mall) 8 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. \$1. members, \$1.50 non-members. Everyone welcome.

Political Science Undergrad Association. Free S. Africa Committee: intro to present situation film and discussion. Rm. 11-9 Tory, 3 p.m. PSUA hosting.

CKSR will be broadcasting Friday night's Golden Bear hockey game against U of Sask. 8:00. Available in CAB, Tory, Education, SUB, QCFM 99.1.

Young Socialists forum on unemployment and how to fight it. 8:00, 10815B-82 Ave. For childcare 432-9573.

Edmonton Chinese Christian Fellowship will have a film show "Satan on the Loose" this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Tory TB95. All welcome.

January 28

Arab Students Assoc. social dance. All students are invited at 8 p.m. in Rm. 142 SUB. Food and Refreshments supplied. Admission free. Further info 432-2240.

January 30

Men's Intramurals 3 on 3 basketball finals 7:30 - 9:30. Come out and cheer them on.

January 31

Christian Science Org holds testimony meetings each Tues at 5:10 p.m. in Meditation Rm. SUB. All welcome.

University Parish Tues lunch - 50 cent sandwich lunch, conversation, communion. 12 noon - 1:30 p.m. Meditation Rm. SUB.

Lutheran Student Movement vespers with eucharist at 9:30 p.m. Worship with us at the centre, 11122-86 Ave.

February 1

Edmonton Chamber Music Society. The Aeolian Chamber Players, from New York, presenting an evening of 20th cent. music for violin, cello, clarinet and piano in Convocation Hall at 8:30 p.m. Admission by season membership only and a few memberships for this last half of season will be available at door.

General

U of A Wargames Society meets Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. in CAB 335. For info call 433-2173.

BACUS rings can be ordered from Jan. 11-Feb. 3 at office (rm. 329 CAB) from 11 am-2 pm.

Edmonton Chinese Christian Fellowship lunch hour gathering every Fri noon-1:30 p.m. in Meditation Rm. SUB. Bring lunch, drinks provided. All welcome.

Sunday Catholic Mass times at St. Joe's College chapel. 9:30, 11 a.m., 4:30 and 8 p.m., Sat. 4:30 p.m.

Men's Intramurals triples volleyball (3 per team). Enter your team at Men's IM office. Entry deadline is Jan. 31, 1 p.m. Event Feb. 2, 7-11 p.m. Main Gym.

Lutheran Student Movement study group "on Henri Nouwen's book "Reaching out". Wed at 3 p.m. Jan. 11 to Feb. 1. in SUB 158A.

CSA chess club is now having its regular meeting every wednesday in SUB 280 from 7 to 10 pm.

Ensemble Vocal Michel Gervais in concert at College St. Jean. 8:30 p.m. Tickets \$3 adult, \$2 students and senior citizens. Available at Dept of Music. from members and at door.

U of A Outdoors Club. Information about activities can be found at our bulletin board in SUB, above the rider exchange board.

Orchesis Creative Dance Club. Dance Motif '78 at SUB Theatre Feb. 8, 9, 10, 8:30 p.m.. Tickets Adults \$3, students \$2 available at HUB and at Door. Info: M. Padfield 432-4727

Bachelor of Social Welfare students, profs and affiliates: play recreational volleyball, evenings, at U of A. Sign up at Athabasca Hall Library.

U of A Ski Club. Those going on this weekend's Panorama trip meet in front of Admin building on Fri at 5 p.m. Predeparture meeting at RATT 3 p.m.

Students International Meditation Society intro lectures on the Transcendental Meditation Programme every Tues. Tory 14-9 at 8 p.m., every Wed. SUB 104 at noon.

BACUS nominations for positions on BACUS are now open. Forms available in CAB 325. Nominations close 4 p.m. Feb. 10/78

An exhibition of computer drawings by Gerald Hushlak of U of C will be held in the SUB Art Gallery, from Jan. 25 to Feb. 5. Public is welcome.

Incredible Edibles, HUB Mall, NOW OPEN. 8:00 a.m. - midnight. Espresso coffee bar.

Found: Silver necklace in HUB washroom. Owner please identify. Phone 436-3817.

Alpine Club of Canada. Ski touring in the mountains. Four lectures covering equipment, shelter and safety in winter touring and camping. Admission free. All welcome. P-126, 7:30 p.m. January 19, 24, 26, 31.

classifieds

Hayrides and sleighrides between Edmonton and Sherwood Park. Phone 464-0234 evenings 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Pregnant and Distressed? Free, confidential help. Birthright, 429-1051, anytime.

Quick, professional typing. Drop by rm. 238 SUB, 432-3423 (days), or call Margriet (464-6209) evenings.

Will type students papers and assignments. Reasonable rates. Phone Carol 466-3395.

Basement of a house for rent, 2 bedrooms, 9947-81 Ave. Call Allen at 432-5168.

Lost: A Concept Approach to Spanish. Please contact 434-5453.

Wanted to rent - unfurnished house, spring time, walking distance to university, reasonable rent, good refs. Will pay \$50.00 finders fee if deal closes. Phone Maurice 9 to 5 426-7335 evenings 462-1984.

Wanted to rent: storage and work space; about 300 sq. ft. call 433-3973.

Hawaii!! People interested in invading Waikiki beach immediately after finals, and at inexpensive group rates, contact Darryl at 434-7163.

Nude male stripper, waiter - any occasion - low rates for small parties. Call Acts 482-6071.

Required: A student to share 3 bedroom furnished duplex with 2 others. ph. 455-4850.

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Female to share one bedroom close to university. Immediate reply. Phone 433-7384.

Small historical group needs office space for evenings only.

A.F.X. racing cars, 24 ft. of track, accessories, \$90. 462-1547.

Ladies CCM skates, size 6, \$1547.

Typewriter, Underwood five model, 462-1547.

Lost: Possibly in Chemistry Mon. Cross ball point pen plated. Sentimental value \$5. Phone 483-1086 after 6 p.m.

Needed: female to share 2 house. On university bus route and utilities \$94/month. Phone after 7 p.m.

Indian Sitar for sale, 439-0230.

To share: 3 bedroom house Ave. Rent: \$100.00/mo. plus close to bus route direct to uni minutes). Phone 435-1962 ask for Roger.

Wanted: R.W. White's *The English Living*. Phone Barb 487-6779 p.m.

Typing - neat, prompt. Terri 482-6651 Lyla after 5 p.m.

For sale: 1972 Austin Mini, \$750 2761.

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STUDENTS' UNION GENERAL ELECTION

Nominations are open for the following:

Offices of the executive committee:

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Vice President Internal Affairs
Vice President Academic
Vice President Finance and Administration
Vice President External Affairs

Student representative to the Board of Governors

University Athletic Board: President Women's Athletics
Vice President Women's Athletics
President Men's Athletics
Vice President Men's Athletics

Nominations close

TODAY at 17:00 hr.

(Thursday, January 26)

Inquire S.U. General Office

WHY ARE WE HERE

Noon hour discussions

Friday, Jan. 27, 12:00 p.m.

Agriculture - AG 155

Clinical Science - CS5-101

Phys. Ed. - E 120

Humanities - HCL 2

Science - CA 369

DESSERT PARTY

Friday evening, Jan. 27

7:00 p.m. 4th Floor Education cafeteria

with

Gene Thomas and other guests